

**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED POLICY**

Public Act 280 of 1939, as amended, and consultation guidelines for Medicaid policy provide an opportunity to review proposed changes in Medicaid policies and procedures.

Please review the policy summary and the attached materials that describe the specific changes being proposed. Let us know why you support the change or oppose the change.

Submit your comments to the analyst by the due date specified. Your comments must be received by the due date to be considered for the final policy bulletin.

Thank you for participating in the consultation process.



Director, Program Policy Division  
Bureau of Medicaid Policy, Operations, and Actuarial Services

<b>Project Number:</b>	2142-CSHCS	<b>Comments Due:</b>	March 31, 2022	<b>Proposed Effective Date:</b>	As Indicated
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**Policy Subject:** Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) Eligibility for Adults Over 21 Years of Age

**Affected Programs:** CSHCS

**Distribution:** All Providers

**Policy Summary:** This policy expands eligibility for Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) beneficiaries over 21 to include those diagnosed with hereditary red blood cell disorders commonly known as sickle cell disease.

**Purpose:** To ensure that adult CSHCS beneficiaries with hereditary red blood cell disorders commonly known as sickle cell disease can receive life-saving medical care and treatment to prolong their life, and quality of life. All other requirements of CSHCS eligibility remain unchanged.

# Proposed Policy Draft

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Health and Aging Services Administration

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**Issued:** May 1, 2022 (Proposed)

**Subject:** Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) Eligibility for Adults Over 21 Years of Age

**Effective:** As Indicated (Proposed)

**Programs Affected:** CSHCS

The purpose of this policy is to expand eligibility for CSHCS to include adults age 21 and above with inherited red blood cell disorders commonly known as sickle cell disease.

CSHCS covers over 2,700 medical diagnoses that are handicapping in nature and require care by a medical or surgical subspecialist. Diagnosis alone does not guarantee medical eligibility for CSHCS. Effective October 1, 2021, to be medically eligible, the individual must:

- Have at least one of the CSHCS qualifying diagnoses;
- Be within the age limits of the program:
  - Under the age of 21; or
  - Age 21 and above with cystic fibrosis, hereditary coagulation defects commonly known as hemophilia, or hereditary red blood cell disorders commonly known as sickle cell disease; and
- Meet the medical evaluation criteria during the required medical review period as determined by a MDHHS medical consultant regarding the level of severity, chronicity and need for treatment.

For those over 21 with a diagnosis of sickle cell disease wishing to enroll in CSHCS, a medical report and CSHCS application (MSA-0737) is required. Individuals should contact their local health department CSHCS representative for assistance with this process. Beneficiaries currently enrolled in CSHCS with a diagnosis of sickle cell disease who reach age 21 will have their coverage extended and can renew coverage through the annual renewal process.

CSHCS beneficiaries who are enrolled with a diagnosis of sickle cell disease are eligible to receive specialty medical treatment and general dental treatment related to the CSHCS qualifying diagnosis. All other policy standards for eligibility, application, and financial determination remain unchanged.